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SUBJECT: PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGE

1. DEPARTMENT INFORMED BY FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION (FMC) THAT ON MARCH 14, 1974 LATTER RECEIVED FILING BY THE ATLANTIC AND GULF/AUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND CONFERENCE ESTABLISHING A PORT CONGESTION SURCHARGE OF \$11.50 PER FREIGHT TON FOR ALL CARGO DISCHARGED AT SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE APRIL 15, 1974. THE CONFERENCE ALSO ADVISED FMC THAT CONSIDERATION IS BEING GIVEN TO REQUIRING PAYMENT OF THE SURCHARGE BY CONSIGNEES IN AUSTRALIA. THIS LATTER STEP IS DESIGNED TO PLACE PRESSURE BY THE CONSIGNEES UPON THE AUSTRALIAN STATE GOVERNMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES TO IMPROVE PORT CONDITIONS PROMPTLY.

2. IN ORDER THAT FMC MAY EVALUATE THIS MATTER, DEPARTMENT REQUESTS ADDRESSEE FURNISH AN UP-TO-DATE REPORT ON CONDITIONS AT SYDNEY, NAMELY PORT CONGESTION, LOADING
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CONDITIONS, WAITING TIME, AND ANY OTHER PERTINENT IMPEDI-

MENTS TO THE RAPID DISCHARGE OF CARGOES AT SUBJECT PORT.
IN ADDITION, FMC WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING WHETHER SUR-
CHARGES HAVE BEEN INVOKED BY OTHER CONFERENCES, PARTICULAR-
LY IN THE AUSTRALIA, JAPAN AND EUROPE TRADES AND WHAT AC-
TIONS ARE BEING TAKEN BY AUTHORITIES TO ALLEVIATE THE
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